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In re the application of:

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For: POLYMER ALLOY AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING POLYMER ALLOY

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CLAIM TO BENEFIT UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 120 AND CLAIM TO PRIORITY UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 119

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Sir:

The benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of the filing date of United States patent application No. 10/732,803 filed December 11, 2003, and the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of each of the following prior foreign applications is hereby requested for the above-identified application, and the priority provided in 35 U.S.C. § 119 is hereby claimed:

Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-25314, filed January 31, 2003, and Japanese Patent Application No. 2003-25317, filed January 31, 2003

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Respectfully submitted,

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